

## Indoor Learning

Indoors the children have been adjusting to the new room and new areas created within. The children have been participating in Group time on a Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursdays. During this time there have been varied cross-curricular experiences to enhance their learning experiences and work towards children's individual targets.

The children took part in experiences relating to the farm, this was provoked by the farm yard small word toys being requested by the children. They also took this learning outdoors where they created a tractor.

We celebrated Burns Day by creating our own tartan, this provoked discussing regarding patterns and also directions such as across and up and down.

A special Scottish treat of short bread was enjoyed by all.

The desk top PC has been very popular with the children developing their hand eye coordination through working the mouse and their ICT skills navigating their way through unfamiliar games. The most popular games requested are from Top Marks Maths.

# **Sharing Our Learning**

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#### Skills for life

Through various experiences the children have been developing valuable skills to assist them in everyday life these have been:

- Adjusting to new routines within the new room.
- Asking for help when needed.
- Handling real crockery through play.

#### Transition To New Room

Transitioning into our new room has been a major change to the children. We have been focusing on new routines and new layouts within the room. The children have all adjusted very well. We will continue to evaluate and review the new room until we are confident it is the best space for your child to learn and grow.

## **Home Learning Ideas**

Top Marks Maths games have been very popular within the ECC on the desk top computer. This website has an excellent selection of Early years games which can be accessed vis this link:
 Early Years Maths - Topmarks Search
 Or searching Top Marks Maths Early Years Games



# Outdoor Learning

The weather has had a huge influence on our outdoor learning experiences. The children have been exploring with ice. The have found it, transported it and experimented with it by finding ways to make it break and melt.

Also with very deep snow, the children explored outside. They were able to successfully risk assess and talk about dangers. For example if throwing snowballs they can only be thrown towards people bodies and not their eyes. They made snow angles and a snowman called Owllaf.

Loose parts have also been a very popular with children, they have been moving them safely, building and creating models with crates, tyres, and guttering and skittle cones. This developed their risk management skills as well as their imaginative and creative skills.

# Gym Hall

The children have been very keen and enthusiastic to access the school gym hall. They enjoy developing lots of gross motor skills and also cosmic yoga and dancing.

We will look to make this a regular part of our ECC routine every week as well as in times of adverse weather.